## **Energy Security=**Jobs for Americans

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- Fueling our economy with job creation and powering our businesses depends upon an affordable, balanced, reliable and clean energy supply.
- In 2001, over one million Americans lost their jobs. After a decade of unprecedented job creation, 2.4 million American workers are now jobless. The national unemployment rate hit 5.6% in January.
- There could be no better immediate, long-term jobs creation program than enactment of an energy security bill.
- Over 700,000 high paying American jobs would be created under President Bush's plan for energy security.
- Organized Labor groups confirm the jobs-creating potential of the President's balanced energy plan – especially ANWR.

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## **Energy Security=**National Security

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- It's time to dramatically reduce our dangerous dependency on foreign sources of energy.
- In fact, in September 2001, we broke an 11 year-old record, importing more than 1.2 million barrels a day from Iraq. We currently pay Saddam Hussein approximately \$20 million per day. In 2001 we paid Iraq a total of \$4.5 billion dollars all for oil.
- When the oil shocks of the 1970's knocked out of our economy, we were a little more than one-third dependent upon foreign nations for our country's oil supply. Now, in the middle of a War on Terrorism, we are nearly 60 percent dependent.
- ANWR's abundant supply would replace 30 years worth of oil imports from Saudi Arabia and over 50 years of oil imports from Iraq.
- Exploring in ANWR balanced with increased conservation, renewable and alternative fuels development is what will make America energy independent.
- "The biggest mistake America has made in the last 25 years has been not reducing it's dependency on foreign oil."

Richard Holbrooke, former Clinton UN Ambassador